

**MINUTES**

**MONTANA SENATE  
60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

**COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND IRRIGATION**

**Call to Order:** By **CHAIRMAN KEN (KIM) HANSEN**, on January 8, 2007  
at 3:00 P.M., in Room 405 Capitol.

**ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Sen. Ken (Kim) Hansen, Chairman (D)  
Sen. Keith Bales (R)  
Sen. John Brueggeman (R)  
Sen. Lane L. Larson (D)  
Sen. Gerald Pease (D)  
Sen. Frank Smith, Vice Chairman (D)  
Sen. Donald J. Steinbeisser (R)

**Members Excused:** None.

**Members Absent:** None.

**Staff Present:** Lois O'Connor, Committee Secretary  
Doug Sternberg, Legislative Branch

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 59, 1/3/2007  
Executive Action: SB 59

**HEARING ON SB 59**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:04:00 **SEN. KEN (KIM) HANSEN (D), SD 17**, opened the hearing on **SB 59**, Revise meat inspection law by applying federal Humane Methods of Slaughter Act.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:06:31 Carol Olmstead, Meat and Poultry Division, Department of Livestock

00:08:19 Errol Rice, Executive Vice President, Montana Stockgrowers Association

**Opponents' Testimony:** None.

**Informational Testimony:** None.

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:** None.

00:10:10

**Closing by Sponsor:** Sen. Hansen closed on SB 59

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 59**

00:10:12

**Motion/Vote:** **SEN. BALES** moved that **SB 59 DO PASS**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 3:11 P.M.

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SEN. KEN (KIM) HANSEN, Chairman

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LOIS O'CONNOR, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

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